

Nomination Notice

Certificate of Need (CON) Review Standards for Nursing Home and Hospital Long-Term-Care Unit Beds Standards Advisory Committee (SAC)

Pursuant to Section 22215(1)(l) of Public Act 368 of 1978, as amended, the CON Commission has determined that a SAC be convened to assist in the development of revisions to the CON Review Standards for Nursing home and Hospital Long-Term-Care Unit Beds. The charge to the SAC is as follows:

The Nursing Home SAC (NHSAC) is charged to review and recommend necessary changes to the Nursing Home and Hospital Long-Term-Care Unit Beds Standards regarding the following issues:

1. Consider inclusion of quality measures (i.e., OSCAR database and licensing certification) for all applicants including the owner/operator and facilities under common ownership, proposing to initiate, expand, or acquire a facility. If recommended, specific quality measures criteria must be provided.
2. Review the Addendum for Special Population Group Beds. Consider possible elimination of the addendum or modification of the addendum criteria, including, but not limited to, the inclusion of a category for patients with a psychiatric diagnosis, traumatic brain injuries, and spinal cord injuries.
3. Review the Addendum for New Design Model Pilot Program. Consider possible elimination of the addendum, extension of the Pilot Program timeframe set forth in Section 3(1), or possible removal of the pilot status to make the New Design Model a permanent addendum of the standards.
4. Review the high occupancy provision in Section 6(c) for potential modification to a facility-specific high occupancy provision.
5. Review definitions and methodologies, and examine other options.
6. Review Long-Term Care policies and regulations of the State within the context of CON scope and authority.

The SAC shall complete its duties and submit its recommendations to the Commission at the December 11, 2007 Commission meeting. An individual shall serve on no more than 2 SACs in any 2-year period.

The composition of a SAC shall not include a lobbyist registered under 1978 PA 472, MCL 4.411 to 4.431, but shall include all of the following: experts with professional competence in the subject matter of the proposed standard, who shall constitute a 2/3 majority of the SAC; representatives of health care provider organizations concerned with licensed health facilities or licensed health professions; and representatives of organizations concerned with health care consumers and the purchasers and payers of health care services.

If your organization is interested in participating, please complete the online Nomination Form located at http://www.michigan.gov/mdch/0,1607,7-132-2945_5106_5409-147233--,00.html by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, April 13, 2007. An electronic one (1) to two (2) page summary/resume of his or her expertise in the subject matter must be attached to the online submission. An alternate must represent the same organization, be able to serve in the same member capacity (i.e., expert, provider, payer, purchaser, or consumer) as regular member and must also complete the online Nomination Form.

All mentioned items, for both the regular and the alternate, must be received by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, April 13, 2007 for the nomination to be considered. The CON Commission Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson will select the members for the SAC. Appointment letters will be sent to all appointed members. The SAC is currently scheduled to meet on the following dates: July 25, 2007, August 22, 2007, September 26, 2007, October 18, 2007, November 8, 2007, and November 28, 2007. Specific times and location are listed on the website at www.michigan.gov/con. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact CON Policy Staff at 517-335-6708. Thank you for your interest and cooperation in this important activity.